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3B8CF QSL ROUTE. Mel, KN4ZT, has informed OPDX that Jacky's, 3B8CF, QSL route is being published wrong in some ham radio publications. They are listing DJ5RT as the QSL Manager which is wrong. Jacky states he has never used a QSL Manager and all cards should be routed via the Call Book Address (CBA).

7X, ALGERIA. Two stations have been quite active from here, 7X4AN and 7X2DG. 7X4AN can usually be found on CW in the 20 meter band around 0000 to 0200z. QSL to DJ2BW. 7X2DG has been heard on 18120 kHz around 1300z and 21265 around 1430z.

9A, CROATIA. Andreas, DL4MEH, and Heinz, DL9JH, will be active from Rab Island (EU-136) until the end of the month. There was a report of a station signing 9A4AA/P on IOTA EU-136 (Aug. 6 on 14260 kHz at 2000z), but OPDX is not sure if this is the same group. We will update you.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Jerry, WD5HFK, was active from 9L-land on 15 meters around 1930z and on 20 meters around 14170 kHz at 2330z. He is using the callsign 9L1JC. Jerry works at the U.S. Embassy and offered the following explanation regarding amateur operations in Sierra Leone: The information previously published regarding the elimination of amateur radio activity from Sierra Leone is true. However, an exception has been made for the U.S. Embassy station and it is expected that this exception will be extended to other diplomats. It is also expected that missionaries in the country will also be allowed to operate as well. Jerry will be leaving September 1, 1992, but his replacement is expected to get a license and hopefully will operate. QSL 9L1JC to: Jerry Cooper, 211 Meadowlake Dr., Seguin, TX 78155. The 1992 CallBook address is wrong.

ARCTIC ISLANDS DXPEDITION. Geo, UY5XE, and Vic, UB5LGM, have put off their DXpedition to /4K4A, 4K4P and 4K4N until September. Transportation and financial problems are to blame.

EA9, CEUTA and MELILLA. A group of 13 operators from Spain should be active this week from Alhucemas Island (AF-061). Look for them signing as AN9A or EG9A. QSL via EA4KK.

EI, IRELAND. The special callsign of EJ60 will be used to activate Clare Island (EU-121) from August 8-15. QSL via EI2CA.

EP, IRAN. By the time you read this, Romeo (1S0RR, 3W3RR, UB5JRR, XY0RR, YA0RR, etc.) should be on the air from Iran. Callsign is unknown at this time. He plans to be active on both SSB and CW with the possibility of RTTY. Operations will be on all bands including the WARC bands. QSLs will be handled by Ed, NT2X. UPDATE 8/9: Just before going to print, Romeo showed up signing 9D0RR. It seems Romeo left Russia Saturday night for Terhan and has his FT990 with him. There are two operators presently active. They were heard on 21295, 18083 and 18132 kHz. They will be there until August 16th. Romeo will be returning to Moscow to put R3A on the air August 19, in celebration of the one year anniversary of Russian independence.

F00CI QSL CARDS. It was reported on the 14256 DX net by Pete, N0AFW, that he has mailed out 10,000 F00CI cards on August 3, but has 5,000 more cards to go. A total of 30,000 to 35,000 cards have been sent out already.

FR/E/G/J, INDIAN OCEAN DXPEDITION. It was reported that the TDXB states Jack, FR5ZU, will be operating from Glorioso /G, Europa /E and Juan de Nova /J during September.

HAMS IN SPACE. A SOYUS spacecraft lifted off this week with three cosmonauts heading towards the Russia spacecraft MIR. On board are French cosmonaut Michel Tognini, F6MIR, and two Russian cosmonauts, Anatoly Solovyov, U6MIR, and Sergei Avdeyev, U3MIR. Be looking for activity by them on 145.550 MHz.

KH2/KH0, GUAM AND MARIANA ISLANDS. Nao, JA1HGY, will be taking a summer vacation (DX vacation) to Guam, August 9 to 12 and Mariana, August 12 to 14. Callsigns will be KH2/JA1HGY and KH0/JA1HGY. Activity will be on: CW - 10103, 18073, (24893) and RTTY - 14088, 18103, 21088, (24923), (10145 REQUEST ONLY). QSL via JA1HGY.

KL7, PLOVER ISLAND, ALASKA. Larry, K5MK, will be active from here August 15-21 signing K5MK/KL7. This island does not have an IOTA number as of yet, but may receive one. Activity will be on 10-40 meters, including the WARC bands. For SSB: 14260, 21260, 28460 +/- QRM. For CW: Check 20 kHz up from band edge. QSL via K5MK or via Bureau.

S2, BANGLADESH. Jim Smith, VK9NS, is now active from S2-land as S21ZA. His 7 day operation should end August 12th. Most of his activity has been on 14022 and 14222 kHz between 2300 to 0030z. There was one report of him on 18077 kHz around 0630z and another on 21225 kHz around 1524z. It was reported on the INDEXA Net that Erik, WZ6C, has received the callsign S21ZB and Rudi, DK7PE, (who was recently in Angola as D2CW) has received the callsign S21ZC. There have been no reports on Erik using S21ZB as of yet, but Rudi has been heard on 14030 kHz around 0015z.

S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE. Sigi, DJ4IJ, is now active as S92IJ. He will be there until August 12. He was heard on the 14256 DX Net at 0015z. QSL via DJ5IO. Sigi will return to Benin (signing TY1IJ) at the end of Sept.

TN, CONGO. Remember, Andre, TN1AT, will be on the 14256 DX Net this coming Saturday, August 15th at 2100z. QSL via F6FNU.

VE8CWI, CHARLTON ISLAND. The West Island ARC are now active from here until August 13. Charlton Island is located in James Bay, Canada, and has a new IOTA number of NA-173. Activity will be on all bands including the WARC bands on SSB/CW. QSL via VE2SEI.

VS6, HONG KONG. (More information became available.) Tim, KJ4VH, from the Southeastern Cluster Group, will operate as KJ4VH/VS6 or VS6/KJ4VH from August 11 thru 17. His time will be limited and plans are somewhat uncertain. He will operate when he can on either 8 or 28 kHz up from the lower band edge. Also, he will try to be active on the WARC bands depending on the antenna circumstances. Most operating times will be around 1100z.

XU, KAMPUCHEA. Manfred, DJ40F, has a 9 month assignment with the local police in XU-land. As of yet, no Ohio/Penn Cluster spots have been reported on XU/DJ40F. Meanwhile, XU8CW continues to be active until the end of the month. Check around 18071 kHz between 1330 to 1530z. QSL via FD1GTR.

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